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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Intelligence)

SUBJECT: Foreign Publications

REFERENCE: Nordbeck--Brain Staff Study of May

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1. The recommendations of referenced staff study seem sound to me, from the point of view both of interagency interests (e.g. RSCID-10) and of intra-agency arrangements (e.g., the recent FDD-OCD agreement on a Foreign Publications Branch Library).

2. I do wish to caution that Mr. Nordbeck has been unable to secure tentative approval or disapproval from Messrs. Howe and Armstrong. Moreover, General Cabel was briefed by DDC on this problem in connection with his general visit with us on 11 May; on the subject generally of rearranging responsibilities of IAC members in view of budget cuts, and on this proposed rearrangement specifically he felt it would be helpful, both to CIA and to other IAC members, were the IAC to review specific programs threatened with abandonment. (This review would include a decision as to whether the activity could safely be discarded or not, and, in the latter case, how to maintain it.)

3. In view of the above, I recommend that you continue to give this proposal the support you tentatively advanced at our meeting last week, but that you speak to the D/DCI about it. I recommend that the D/DCI or DD/I suggest to Park that before this goes to the IAC I be instructed to have this considered by the Advisory Committee on Foreign Language Publications, which is the appropriate IAC sub-committee to review it.

4. An estimate of added cost, for FRC, is underway in OC and OCD and will be available shortly.

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